



Town of Raymond, NH, Adopted Policy for use of Public Lands

Enabling State of NH Statutes

CHAPTER 31 POWERS AND DUTIES OF TOWNS

Powers

Section 31:3

31:3 In General. – Towns may purchase and hold real and personal estate for the public uses of the inhabitants, and may sell and convey the same; may recognize unions of employees and make and enter into collective bargaining contracts with such unions; and may make any contracts which may be necessary and convenient for the transaction of the public business of the town.

Source. RS 31:3. CS 32:3. GS 34:3. GL 37:3. PS 40:3. PL 42:3. RL 51:3. RSA 31:3. 1955, 255:1, eff. July 14, 1955.

CHAPTER 41 CHOICE AND DUTIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

Section 41:11-a

41:11-a Town Property. – The selectmen shall have authority to manage all real property owned by the town and to regulate its use, unless such management and regulation is delegated to other public officers by vote of the town, or is governed by other statutes, including but not limited to RSA 31:112, RSA 35-B, RSA 36-A:4, and RSA 202-A:6. Such authority shall include the power to rent or lease such property during periods not needed for public use, provided, however, that any rental or lease

agreement for a period of more than one year shall not be valid unless ratified by vote of the town.

Source. 1994, 17:1, eff. Jan. 1, 1995.

Purpose

To establish a Board of Selectmen policy, whereby private use of public property can be evaluated and potentially allowed after establishing that any detriment to the land, neighbors, expense to town, public safety and other potential risks has been satisfied by the requesting entity.

Application

The entity or it's designated representative must fill out the use application in full and submit the application to the town manager no less than three weeks in advance of the proposed use of the town property.

Selectmen's Agenda

The proposed use will be publicly noticed for the next available Selectmen's meeting to allow for any public comment.

Selectmen's Meeting

The entity or its authorized representative must attend the meeting to answer any questions that the Selectmen may have regarding the application. The Selectmen will then deliberate and approve or deny the use or they may request additional information to be further evaluated by the town government.